Alberta Treasury
Economic Bulletin

ECONOMIC STATISTICS RELEASED DURING THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 27 TO DECEMBER 1, 2000

	Reference Period	Month/Previous Month	Month'00/ Month'99	Comments
Gross Domestic Product (1992$ millions)	September 792,604	0.0%	4.1%	Canadian GDP remained flat in September, ending a four-month string of gains. The services-producing sector increased 0.2%, while the goods-producing sector decreased 0.5%. Decreased sales of automotive products, food products and building materials led to a 0.5% decline in wholesale trade, while production cutbacks by producers of electrical and electronic equipment led to a 0.7% decrease in manufacturing.
Industrial Product Price Index (1992=100)	October 129.1	0.6%	4.4%	Industrial product prices in October increased 0.6% from September, and 4.4% from October last year, due to an increase in petroleum and coal product prices. Excluding the impact of these prices, industrial product prices would have increased 2.4% on a year-over-year basis.
Raw Materials Price Index (1992=100)	October 150.5	0.5%	20.4%	On a month-to-month basis, the raw materials price index increased 0.5% in October. The index rose 20.4% from September last year. Both increases were due to stronger vegetable products, mineral fuel and animal product prices. If mineral fuels were excluded, the index would have advanced only 4.1% instead of 20.4% on an annual basis, and 0.2% instead of 0.5% on a monthly basis.